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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

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SUBJECT: The Defense Academic Research Support Program (DARSP)

- 1. Enclosed is a background paper on the DIA's Defense Academic Research Support Program (DARSP) together with the announcement of its next scheduled round table.
- 2. Since its inception in 1981, this program has made a valuable contribution towards improving interaction and the exchange of ideas on Third World issues between academic experts on the one hand and Intelligence Community analysts on the other. The programs, which include major conferences and symposia, round tables, seminars, briefings, and research studies of varying lengths, are generally unclassified. To date, some 1000 people have taken part in the conferences while over 2000 have attended round tables and more than 2000 copies of the research products and conference proceedings have been distributed throughout the Intelligence Community.
- 3. The enclosed background paper gives more information on this unique and very successful program, while the attached announcement for a DARSP round table on Arms Production in Brazil provides an example of the caliber of the participants and timeliness of the subjects.

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Background Paper for the Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: The Defense Academic Research Support Program

- 1. The Defense Academic Research Support Program (DARSP) was established in 1981 to promote contact and discussion between academic experts on the Third World and their Intelligence Community counterparts. The goal is to reestablish the many benefits to the Intelligence Community of the close bonds between scholars and intelligence analysts that were formed during World War II but broke down during the Vietnam era.
- 2. The DIA manager for DARSP is organizationally situated in the Defense Intelligence College, which conducts programs of instruction for professional intelligence personnel. In addition to many training programs, including that for defense attaches, the College offers a fully accredited Master's Degree in Strategic Intelligence.
- 3. Through the DARSP, DIA endeavors to promote contact among scholars and Intelligence Community analysts. The program provides a multifaceted approach to support research and to facilitate dialogue between scholars and analysts. The DARSP emphasizes and supports the following programs:
- a. Round tables: These are held about once a month at DIA's new DIAC building and involve one or two major scholars along with analysts from the Defense and Intelligence Communities. Invitations are sent out to over 70 GDIP intelligence organizations, Pentagon offices and the National Defense University as well as CIA, NSA, the Department of State, the Library of Congress and other agencies. The response has been enthusiastic and the discussions lively and productive. Recent round tables have addressed the Philippines, South Lebanon, Water as a Strategic Resource in the Middle East, Nicaragua, Ghana and Ethiopia, while upcoming are meetings on Arms Production in Brazil, Cuban Influence in Central America, and Mexico.
- b. Conferences: DARSP also sponsors major, academic-type conferences where large numbers of scholars and intelligence analysts are invited to prepare papers and spend 1-2 days discussing the issues. These are held at the DIAC and occasionally at other locations where intelligence analysts are concentrated. Last December, a large conference on Southeast Asia was held at the DIAC and cosponsored by Georgetown University's Center for Strategic and International Studies. In late April, a conference on Iran-Iraq was held for the benefit of USCENTCOM intelligence analysts at MacDill Air Force Base, Florida. A conference on International Terrorism will be held in December 1985 at the DIAC.
- c. <u>Studies</u>: DARSP also contracts for in-depth academic studies of Third World issues which involve more extensive data collection, analysis and/or application of more innovative research approaches. Based on specific

intelligence research needs, these studies, about eight per year, are contracted out to civilian scholars and the completed studies are reproduced by DIA and circulated throughout the Intelligence Community. Among the recent studies are: Terrorist and Insurgent Groups in Latin America, Islamic Fundamentalism in the Arab World, Iranian Islamic Clergy: Governmental Politics and Theocracy, and Military Coups in Sub-Saharan Africa.

d. Development of Third World Language Materials: Through DARSP, DIA is also supporting the development of approaches and materials which will improve training in uncommonly taught languages and provide better approaches for the maintenance of language skills. DARSP has funded two surveys of uncommonly taught languages by the Center for Applied Linguistics and will support a major study in FY 85 of Computer-Assisted Language Training. Additionally, DARSP funds can be used to supplement acquisition of Third World research materials for the Intelligence Community. So far, we have purchased several thousand dollars worth of supplemental books, maps and periodicals to improve the intelligence libraries at EUCOM, PACOM, CENTCOM AND SOUTHCOM.

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MEMORANDUM FOR (DISTRIBUTION LIST)

SUBJECT: Roundtable on Third World/Brazilian Arms Production for GDIP Analysts Sponsored by the Defense Academic Research Support Program (DARSP)

- 1. The Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency, as Program Manager for the General Defense Intelligence Program (GDIP), has initiated a series of unclassified seminars, roundtables, lectures and briefings to promote scholar-analyst interchange. The sessions focus on the Third World. Continuing this series will be a roundtable on the arms industry.
- 2. The roundtable agenda and venue:

TOPIC: Arms Production in the Third World: The Case of Brazil

DATE: Tuesday, 21 May 1985

TIME: 0930-1200 hours

PLACE: Conference Room C3-162, Defense Intelligence College

Defense Intelligence Analysis Center

Bolling Air Force Base

Washington, D.C.

SPEAKERS: Dr. Stephanie G. Neuman

Research Institute on International Change

Columbia University

"Trends in Third World Arms Production"

Professor John Hoyt Williams Indiana State University "The Brazilian Arms Industry"

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3. Arms production in the Third World has continued to grow and diversify in recent years. With both export trade and import substitution objectives, Third World arms producers pose a challenge to arms producers in the industrialized world. The growth of these producers may also influence the incidence, character and scope of wars. Dr. Neuman, a senior research scholar at Columbia University's Research Institute on International Change and Director of the Comparative Defense Studies Program, has devoted her scholarly research, writing and teaching career to the study of Third World military industries and the impact of arms trade on American national interests. Her

many published articles on these issues are well known in the field. Neuman will open the roundtable and discuss such recent trends in Third World arms production as: offsets, barter and countertrade developments; international stratification of the arms industry; weapon systems' modifications and competitiveness; the implications of technology transfers in the arms industry; and the affect these industries have had on war, especially low-intensity conflict. Professor Williams, a Latin American historian who frequently visits that area (including a research trip to Brazil in early 1985), has developed a special interest and expertise in the arms industry of He will discuss why the Brazilian government stimulated arms manufacture, research and exports; how they went about linking civilian government agencies, research institutes and companies; what impact Brazilian arms deals have had in the contemporary world; and what the Brazilians are capable of manufacturing and exporting in the future and what they have (so far) decided to ignore. Dr. Williams has published numerous articles on the Brazilian arms industry, including most recently, "Brazil: A New Giant in the Arms Industry," (Atlantic Monthly, August 1984), which can be made available on request to analysts who plan to attend the program.

4. We encourage your representative to attend. Your participation in and evaluation of this seminar will help us greatly in planning future meetings of this kind. Please call (DIC-R), 373-3341, to reserve a place STAT Since space in limited, early responses will be appreciated.

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